

ALEXANDRIA GAZETTE.

TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 10, 1901

Her Brilliant Inspiration.

That the proverbial absentminded professor is sometimes ably abetted by his wife is illustrated by a story told of Professor Bensen. One evening about the usual hour for retiring he took it into his head to run over to the club just as he and madam were returning from an evening call.

"But," said the lady, "I must have the front door locked before I retire."

This emergency staggered the professor, and as he looked bewildered at his wife the lady, seized with an inspiration, continued:

"I'll go in and lock the door and throw you the key from the window."

This programme was carried out, and when he reached the club the professor related the incident to a friend as evidence of his wife's unusual sagacity.

The friend greeted the story with a roar of laughter.

"And why, my dear professor," he said, "did you not simply admit your wife, lock the door from the outside and come away?"

"True," ejaculated the learned man of science, "we never thought of that."

The climax of the incident was reached an hour later when, returning home, the professor discovered that the lady in her excitement had thrown out the wrong key.

Skipped the Hard Words.

"While I was in practice," said Judge Gates of Kansas City, "I was before the supreme court on one occasion. While waiting for my case to be called I listened to a lawyer from the south-eastern part of the state arguing his case. He was at least 6 feet 7 inches tall and had a voice so deep that when he spoke it seemed like the rumbling of Niagara. 'I will read,' he said, 'from a work with which your honors are no doubt familiar—Blackstone.'"

"The judges did not smile, although there was a decided twinkle in their eyes as they glanced at each other. The man read a few lines and then said: 'There is reference here, your honors, to a footnote by Lord Granville. I would have your honors pay particular attention to this note because it is by Lord Granville.'"

"The judges waited expectantly. The lawyer held the book in front of him, glanced at it two or three times and then coughed as many times in rather an embarrassed manner. Everybody waited for several seconds. Finally he said: 'Your honors, I see on close inspection that this footnote is in Latin, so I reckon I'd better skip that.'"

Her Chef From Paris.

"An American woman," says the Boston Journal, "who lived in Paris was famous for her cook. Her dinners were popular and celebrated, and the conversation was largely a tribute to the chef. The day came when she should return to the United States. Could the cook be persuaded to go with her? 'What! Leave Paris? Never! But she offered him a salary that was incredibly, preposterously high, and he went with her.'"

"She had hardly settled her house when she gave a dinner party that she hoped would be sensational. Not a dish was fit to be eaten. The hostess, almost hysterical, after the gloomy meal was over rushed to the kitchen to find out whether the cook's art was a matter of Parisian atmosphere, and then, and only then, she discovered that her famous chef had never cooked a dinner for her in Paris; that he had got it all from a world famous boulevard restaurant."

His Glad Statues.

We sympathize with the tailors of Berlin. They may well be indignant at the way sculptors libel tailoring. If they have a Bismarck clothed in bad fitting garments, we, too, have a John Bright and a W. E. Forster portrayed in garments that would bring the blush to any tailor's cheek. Sculptors delight in folds and looseness, and what care they that the coat buttons on the left side or the pocket flaps on one side are half as large again as on the other. Buttons and seams are often beneath their notice, and so they perpetuate monstrosities such as no man would or could wear, let alone any tailor make—London Tailor and Cutter.

For Their Own Calves.

A couple of young men were out fishing one day and on returning were going past a farmhouse and felt hungry. They yelled to the farmer's daughters, "Girls, have you any butter-milk?"

The reply was gently waited back to their ears, "Yes, but we keep it for our own calves."

The boys calculated that they had business away, and they went—Country Gentleman.

Theory and Practice.

"Dinglebat has original ideas about family government. He says every home should be a little republic, where universal toleration prevails and every one has a voice in the government."

"Yes, his family is managed on that plan; but he and Mrs. Dinglebat have the same old wrangle every day as to who shall be president."

Not Painful.

"Hero," cried Oldham to his fellow lodger, who was starting for his holiday, "that's my brush and comb you're putting in your portmanteau."

"Well, let me have 'em. You won't need 'em; you're grown so bald lately."

"That's just it. I can't part with them."—London Answers.

His Usefulness.

"Cholly doesn't seem to be of much use in the world."

"Oh, I don't know; he makes a nice cigarette holder."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Couldn't Use Him.

"Cholly—So you think I am too slow for any use?"

"Sho—Yes. You don't even make the other young men jealous.—Smart Set."

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Office—No. 102 South Fairfax street.

LEGAL NOTICES.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.—Having

qualified as administrator upon the estate of E. D. SOPER, deceased, this is to notify all persons indebted to said estate to pay their indebtedness to me, and all persons holding claims against said estate to present the same to me properly certified for payment.

W. H. SMITH, Administrator.

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MASTER'S OFFICE, Custom House

Building, Alexandria, Va., November 30, 1901.

To all Whom It May Concern:

Take notice, That on WEDNESDAY, December 11, 1901, at 11 o'clock a. m., as my office as Special Master, in the Custom House Building, at Alexandria, Virginia, I shall proceed to execute the decree rendered November 19, 1901, by the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Virginia, in the suit of John W. Griggs and Elizabeth S. Johnson, trustees, vs. Consumer's Brewing Company, which require me to ascertain and report as follows: The amount and number of the bonds issued and outstanding secured by the several mortgages mentioned in the said suit, and the amount due thereon, and to whom due, and also all other debts of Consumer's Brewing Company, and to whom due, and how and to what extent, if at all, any of them is a lien upon the assets of said company, and their relative priorities in order of payment, and also what amount is reasonable compensation to the complainants, trustees, for their services, and also what will be a reasonable fee to be allowed to counsel for said complainants and defendant, respectively for their services in this case, and also any other proper and reasonable mortgage charges against said company, and the said amount, and the amount due before me, upon cash, all books, accounts, deeds, and other papers and writings, in their possession, or under their control relating thereto, at which time and place you are required to attend.

Given under my hand, as Special Master of said court, this 30th day of November, A. D. 1901. JOHN S. FOWLER, Special Master.

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AUCTION SALES.

S. H. Lutz, Auctioneer.

PURSUANT TO DECREE IN THE

suit of Ella H. Brown and others vs. Annie C. Johnson and others, pending in the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, Va., the undersigned commissioner of sale will sell at public auction, on the

TUESDAY,

the 24th day of December, 1901,

the following real estate:

Lot No. 3 (5, 294 24-100 square feet),

Lot No. 4 (5, 294 24-100 square feet), and Lot No. 5 (9,112 4-10 square feet) in the division of the real estate of the late Henry Bonta, lying together at West End, in said county, adjoining Alexandria city. Lots 3 and 4 front on Duke street, and Lot 4 is improved by a good two-story brick dwelling house, L. 1-5 fronts on John street and adjoins the line of A. F. S. Fairfax Co. Also a lot of land in said city lot of 200 square feet, not far from King street, improved by a two-story frame dwelling house, of which said Bonta died seized.

Sale of the first three lots will commence at 12 o'clock, and of the last mentioned lot at 3:30 P. M. o'clock.

For further information apply to S. H. Lutz, Alexandria, Va.

Terms of sale: One fourth cash and the balance in three equal payments at six, twelve and eighteen months from the day of sale, evidenced by the purchaser's interest-bearing notes and secured by retention of title, all the last payment is made, and in such other manner as the commission of sale may deem necessary.

THOMAS R. KEITH,

Commissioner of sale.

I, W. E. Graham, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, Va., do hereby certify that the books required of Thomas R. Keith, commissioner of sale in the out of Ella H. Brown and others vs. Annie C. Johnson and others, pending in said court, has been executed by said commissioner, and approved by me.

Given under my hand this 25th day of November, 1901.

W. E. GRAHAM, Clerk.

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AUCTION SALE OF VALUABLE

FARMING PROPERTY IN THE

COUNTY OF FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA.

Pursuant to a decree rendered by the 3rd

Judge of said county, in the chancery cause pending in the Circuit Court of Fairfax county, Va., wherein Peter H. Watkins is complainant, and William B. Watkins et al., are defendants, the undersigned will offer for sale at public auction, on

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 1901,

at 11 o'clock a. m., in front of Cat's Tavern, in "West End Alexandria," Fairfax county, Va., the following real estate, to wit: A certain tract of land, containing 20 acres, more or less, lying in the 3rd

division of the estate of the late Henry Bonta, and belonging to the estate of the late Elizabeth A. Watkins.

FIRST: A TRACT OF LAND containing 20 acres, more or less, lying in the 3rd

division of the estate of the late Henry Bonta, and belonging to the estate of the late Elizabeth A. Watkins.

SECOND: A TRACT OF LAND, containing 4-3-10 acres, lying to the westward of the above lot, on the north side of the Little River Turnpike, adjoining the lands of C. O. Williams and Col. Arthur Herbert, and containing about 21 acres of cleared land, and to balance being excellent woodland. There are considerable buildings situated on this tract, a fine stream of water and a good spring.

THIRD: A TRACT OF LAND, containing 4-3-10 acres, lying to the westward of the above lot, on the north side of the Little River Turnpike, adjoining the lands of C. O. Williams and Col. Arthur Herbert, and containing about 21 acres of cleared land, and to balance being excellent woodland. There are considerable buildings situated on this tract, a fine stream of water and a good spring.

All of the above property is about 2 1/2 miles from the city of Alexandria, and is very desirable for farming, truck-gardening or dairy farming purposes.

Recent surveys have been made of this property, and the plans can be seen at the office of J. K. M. Norton and Gardner L. Boone, 129 South Fairfax street, Alexandria, Va., at any time prior to the sale.

TERMS OF SALE: One-third cash, and the balance in one and two years; the deferred payments to be evidenced by the notes of the purchaser, bearing interest at six per cent, per annum, the title to be retained until the whole of the purchase money is paid, or the purchaser may, at their option, pay all cash.

Conveyancing at the cost of the purchaser.

J. K. M. NORTON, } Comm'r of

GARDNER L. BOOTH, } Sale.

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Said property will be sold on

WEDNESDAY, December 11, 1901,

at the same hour and place.

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MEETINGS.

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the

stockholders of the ATLANTIC BUILD-

ING COMPANY will be held at the office of

the company, No. 123 south Royal street,

Alexandria, Va., on THURSDAY, January

16th, 1902, for the election of a Board of

Directors and Officers for the ensuing year

and for such other business as may come

before the meeting. M. M. PARKER,

President.

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NOTICE.—The regular annual meeting of

the stockholders of the WASHINGTON

HERB COMPANY will be held at their office,

No. 123 south Fairfax street, Alexandria,

Va., on WEDNESDAY, December 11, 1901, at 10 o'clock

p. m. M. M. PARKER, Secretary.

NOTICE.—The annual meeting of the

stockholders of the WASHINGTON

FERTILIZER COMPANY will be held at the

company's office, No. 123 south Royal

street, Alexandria, Va., on WEDNESDAY,

December 11, 1901, for the purpose of elect-

ing a board of directors and officers for the

ensuing year and for such other business as

may come before the meeting.

M. M. PARKER, President.

LOUIS BEYER, Jr., Secretary.

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STOCKHOLDERS MEETING.—The un-

derigned holding together more than

one-tenth of the capital stock of THE CO-

LUMBIA SMOKELESS FURNACE COM-

PANY, hereby call a general meeting of the

stockholders of said company, to be held at

the office of the company, No. 123 south

Royal street, in the city of Alexandria, State

of Virginia, at one o'clock p. m., MONDAY,

DECEMBER 23, 1901.

For the purpose of considering and acting on

the report of the directors and officers of the

company and the amount of such increase

of the capital stock, and also for the pur-

pose of transacting any and all other busi-

ness that may be brought before the meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

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ALEXANDRIA, VA., Nov. 30, 1901.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of

the CHARLOTTEVILLE & RAPIDAN

RAILROAD COMPANY will be held at No. 123

King street, Alexandria, Virginia, on

WEDNESDAY, December 18, 1901, at ten

o'clock a. m., for the purpose of electing di-

rectors, and the transaction of such other

business as may come before the meeting.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

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